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DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 82-94 are pending and being acted upon presently.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

- 2. An Examiner's Amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 C.F.R. 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee.
- 3. The Title has been deleted and replaced with the following.
- -- METHODS FOR REDUCING T CELL RESPONSIVENESS TO AN AUTOANTIGEN WITH ANTI-GP39 ANTIBODIES AND ANTIGEN PRESENTING CELLS -- .

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

4. The following is an Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance:

Given the Decision on Appeal by the BPAI, mailed 09/24/2009, the instant methods appear to be free of the prior art. Accordingly, the instant claims are deemed allowable.

- 5. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the Issue Fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance"
- 6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Phillip Gambel whose telephone number is (571) 272-0844. The examiner can normally be reached Monday through Thursday from 7:30 am to 6:00 pm. A message may be left on the examiner's voice mail service. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ram Shukla can be reached on (571) 272-0735.

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/ Phillip Gambel / Primary Examiner Technology Center 1600 Art Unit 1644 January 7, 2010